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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**PUBLIC LIBRARY: REQUEST TO ACCEPT THE BIG READ GRANT FROM
THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS FOR THE JUVENILE HALL
LIBRARY AND THE LIBRARIES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF
EAST LOS ANGELES: ANTHONY QUINN, CITY TERRACE,
EAST LOS ANGELES, AND EL CAMINO REAL
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1)
(3 VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Accept The Big Read grant in the amount of \$20,000 from the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services for the Anthony Quinn, City Terrace, East Los Angeles, and El Camino Real libraries in the unincorporated area of East Los Angeles and the Juvenile Hall Library.
2. Authorize the County Librarian to act on the County's behalf regarding the execution and completion of all documents relating to the project as may be required under the conditions of the grant, to expend the funds necessary for the completion of the project, and to meet the conditions of the grant.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Public Library is requesting Board acceptance of The Big Read grant in the amount of \$20,000 from the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and in cooperation with Arts Midwest. The grant was awarded to the Public Library for the Anthony Quinn, City Terrace, East Los Angeles,

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and El Camino Real libraries in the unincorporated area of East Los Angeles and the Juvenile Hall Library, to revitalize the role of literature in American culture and to encourage local communities to inspire literary reading. The Big Read grant will allow these libraries to help meet the educational and cultural needs of the East Los Angeles community.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of the recommended action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goals in the areas of Service Excellence (1), Fiscal Responsibility (4), and Children and Families' Well-Being (5).

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The Big Read grant, which is federal funds, is a one-to-one matching grant. In order to receive the full grant of \$20,000, the Public Library's total project expenses must be at least \$40,000 or greater, including the grant funds. The Public Library will meet this requirement by providing an in-kind match of existing staffing and programs. The grant funds will be used for the purchase of library materials and necessary services and supplies to implement the grant program. The Public Library's operating budget has the appropriation to cover expenditures from this grant. Acceptance of this one-time grant does not commit the County to provide ongoing services.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

County policy requires that grants be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for acceptance. A Grant Management statement is not required for this grant because the grant amount is under \$100,000.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

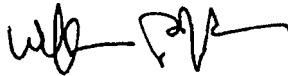
This grant from the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and in cooperation with Arts Midwest will enable the four libraries in the unincorporated area of East Los Angeles, the Juvenile Hall Library, and the local community to provide reading programs and materials to revitalize the role of literature in American culture.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. T. Fujioka', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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